

The Hongkong Telegraph.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1889.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

- 1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 3; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.
- 2.—SUMS LESS THAN \$1, or MORE THAN \$500 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- 3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK, having \$100, or more, at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3 1/2 per cent. annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.
- 5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1889.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL\$3,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL 500,000.

Registered Office, 40, THE ARCADE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT, Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE, ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
" 6 " " " 4 " " "
" 3 " " " 3 " " "
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS
2 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such claims, purchased on advantageous terms.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager,
HONGKONG BRANCH.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL\$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND 4,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF
PROPRIETORS 7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
CHAIRMAN—HON. JOHN BELL-IRVING.
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
C. D. BOTTOMLEY, Esq. S. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.
W. G. BRODIE, Esq. J. S. MOSES, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. L. FORBES, Esq.
J. F. HOLLIDAY, Esq. N. A. SIESS, Esq.
B. LAYTON, Esq. E. A. SOLOMON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER,
HONGKONG—G. E. NOBLE, Esq.

MANAGER,
SHANGHAI—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND
COUNTRY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT at
the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the
daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities,
and every description of BANKING and
EXCHANGE business transacted.

DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1889.

NOTICE.

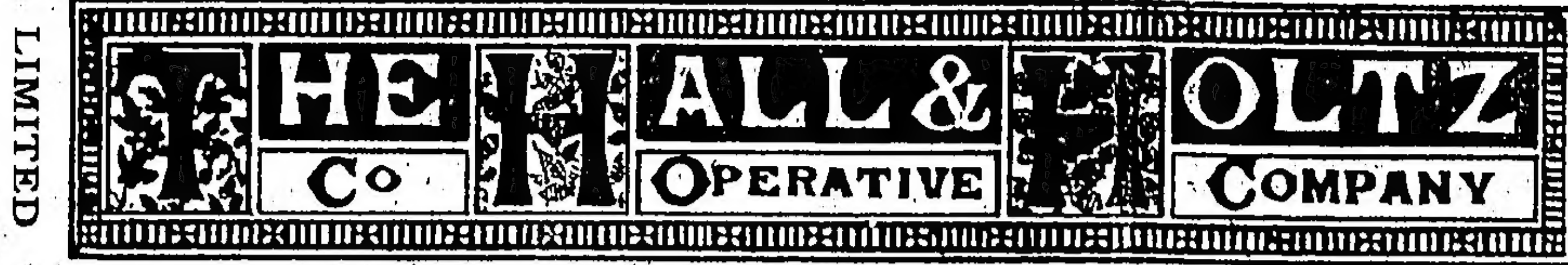
HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS
are respectfully informed that, if upon
their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the
COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand,
ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD
OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive
prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found
necessary, communication with the Undersigned
is requested, when immediate steps will be taken
to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 15th August, 1888.

Amimations.



FOR THE RACES.

FASHIONABLE TWEED SUITINGS, TROUSERINGS COATINGS, VESTINGS, SILK and MERINO HOSIERY, LONG CLOTH
SHIRTS LINEN COLLARS, DERBY SCARFS, GOODWOOD TIES, TERA and FELT HALTS, BOOTS, SHOES, GLOVES,
&c., &c.

FOR THE RACES.

RACING JACKETS and CAPS, (SILK or SATIN), RIDING BREECHES, RIDING BOOTS and TOPS, RACING and other
SADDLES, SADDLE CLOTHS, BRIDLES and BITS, SUITS of CLOTHING, RIDING WHIPS, CURRY COMBS, BRUSHES,
and all STABLE REQUISITES.

FOR THE RACES.

JAUNAY'S CHAMPAGNES, "ROYAL BLEND" and "SPECIALLY SELECTED" WHISKIES, BRANDIES, GIN, PORTS, SHERRIES,
CLARETS, EMPIRE PALE ALES, EMPIRE EXTRA STOUT, FINEST BRANDS of CIGARS, and CIGARETTES, TOBACCOS.

ALSO,
AN ENTIRELY NEW STOCK of SMOKER'S REQUISITES.

THE HALL & BOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY LTD.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1889.

ROBERT LANG & CO., TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS.

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR SECOND DELIVERY

WINTER COATINGS TWEED, AND DRESS SUITING, TROUSERINGS and
ULSTER TWEEDS.
A very stylish selection.

OUR OUTFITTING STOCK IS ALSO COMPLETE IN SEASONABLE GOODS.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1889.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SADDLERY AND STABLE SUNDRIES
Suitable for the training season,
NICHOLLS' BEST RACING SADDLES—
Jockey Whips, Light Racing Reins, &c., &c., Black and Brown Pony Harness.

Also,
Driving Gloves, Knitted Gloves with Leather Fingers, Mufflers, Cardigan Jackets, Carriage
Wraps, and Warm Clothing of all kinds suitable for Early Morning Wear at Race Course. Rain
Coats, Umbrellas, and Rubber Over-shoes, Riding Boots and Tops.

Orders now being taken for Racing Colours.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1889.

W. BREWER.

HAS just received and is showing in his New Store opposite HONGKONG HOTEL.

NEW LADIES' WALKING SHOES, French.
BOOTS
NEW CHILDREN'S SHOES and BOOTS.
NEW LADIES' TENNIS SHOES.
NEW MEN'S
MEN'S, CALF and KID SHOES.
BOOTS.

All very reasonable in price.

NEW FRENCH BOOKS.

W. BREWER'S
CHEAP PRINTING OFFICE,
Opposite HONGKONG HOTEL.

Large consumers of paper should apply for wholesale prices at this Store which will be found
cheaper than importing it direct.
Hongkong, 12th January, 1889.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

USEFUL, CURIOUS AND ENTERTAINING BOOKS.
The Detectives' Club, thrilling adventures, 40 cts.
Burdett's Heroic Recitations, 40 cts.
Burdett's French & Yankee—Recitations, 40 cts.
De Vere's Wit and Humour, 40 cts.
Burdett's Dutch Dialect Recitations, 40 cts.
Burdett's New Comic Recitations, 40 cts.
Snare of New York, 13 tricks and traps 75 cts.
Humours of Venturism, 25 cts.
Madame's Juno's Dream Book, 40 cts.
Popular Recitations, 20 cts.
Joe Green's Visit to New York, 20 cts.
Unde Si's Black Jokes, 20 cts.
Wilson's Ball Room Guide, 75 cts.
Houdin's Conjuring, 75 cts.
Lessons in Horse Judging, 75 cts.
Modern Bar Tender's Guide, 75 cts.
Dunbar's Complete Book of Etiquette, 75 cts.
Practical Guide to Scene Painting, \$1.50.
How to make up for the Stage, 25 cts.
Bad Memory made Good, 25 cts.
How I became a Venturist, 20 cts.
Napoleon's Oracleum, 20 cts.
The Poker Primer, 20 cts.
Tricks on Travellers, 20 cts.
Drummer's Yarns—Fun on the Road, 20 cts.
Gipsy Queen Dream Book, 20 cts.
Brother Jonathan's Jokes, 20 cts.
Fun Everlasting, 20 cts.

W. POWELL & CO.

RACES! RACES! RACES!!!

NEW GOODS Specially Imported for the RACES are arriving by the next English Mail
and Steamship Glenelg.
RACE SCARFS, BOWS, ROSETTES, JACKETS and CAPS made to any combination of colours.
BRIDLES TRIMMED.

W. POWELL & CO.
Victoria Exchange, Hongkong, 26th January, 1889.

Amimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 7 per cent.
and Bonus of 1 per cent. or \$1.60 per
Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly
Meeting of Shareholders held This Day will be
payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION on and after MONDAY,
the 4th instant.
Shareholders are requested to apply at the
Office of the Company for Warrants.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary,
Hongkong and February, 1889.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be
held at the Office of the Company, Peddar
Street, on THURSDAY, the 7th February, at
NOON, to receive a Statement of the Accounts
of the Company to the 31st December, 1888,
and the Report of the General Managers, and to
discuss any matters that may be competently
brought before the Meeting.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 28th instant to 7th
proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1889.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the
above Company will be held at the Offices of the
General Agents, Peddar Street, on MONDAY,
the 18th of February, at NOON, for the purpose
of receiving a Report from the General Agents,
with a Statement of Accounts, to the 31st of
December, 1888.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company,
will be CLOSED from 5th to the 18th of
February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1889.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the
above Company will be held at the Company's
Office, No. 5, Queen's Road, Victoria, at THREE
O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON, of TUESDAY,
the 19th February, 1889, for the purpose of
receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the
Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st
December, 1888.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 6th Proximo to the
19th Proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company
will be held at the Company's Office, No. 5,
Queen's Road, Victoria, at 3.15 O'CLOCK P.M.,
on the 19th day of February, 1889, when the
subjoined Resolution will be proposed.
RESOLUTION
That Article No. 9 of the Articles of Association
be altered by eliminating therefrom the
words "One Hundred Thousand" and
substituting therefor the words "One
Hundred and Fifty Thousand."

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1889.

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Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE, HAMBURG AND LONDON

THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"

Dowling, Commander, will be despatched for
the above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 7th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1889.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
PORTS, SYDNEY AND
MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TSINAN,"

Allison, Commander, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 8th February, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the
superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.
First Class Saloon and Cabins are situated
forward of the engines. Second Class Passengers
are Berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating
chamber ensures the supply of fresh provisions
during the entire voyage. A duly qualified
Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1889.

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STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI, AND KOBE.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"GVALIOR"

will leave for the above places on FRIDAY,
the 8th February, at NOON.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 30th January, 1889.

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NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORIO AND RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY,

having connexion with Company's Mail
Steamers, to ADEN, SUET, PORT SAID,
MESSINA, NAPLES (LEGHORN), and
GENOA, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC,
LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS
up to CALAO. Taking Cargo at through
rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.

THE Company's Steamship

"BISAGNO"

will be despatched as above on SATURDAY,
the 9th February.

At Bombay the Steamers are discharging in
Victoria's Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and
Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 5th February, 1889.

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"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"CARDIGANSHIRE"

will be despatched for the above Ports, on the
10th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 4th February, 1889.

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AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,

BOMBAY, ADEN, HOEDIDAH,
MASSAUA, SUAKIM, YEDDAH, SUET,
PORT SAID, BRINDISI, & TRIESTE
(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA,
MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK
SEA, LEVANT, and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA TERESA,"

Captain F. Cosulich, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 12th inst., at NOON.

For further particulars regarding Freight and
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,
Praya Central.

O. BACHRACH,
Agent,
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1889.

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FOR NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"STRATHLEVEN,"

C. W. Pearson, Commander, will be despatched for
the above Port, on or about the 15th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1889.

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SAILING VESSELS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE A. I. British Bark

"JOHN NICHOLSON,"

W. Quinn, Master, will load here for the above
Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1888.

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FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A. I. American Ship

"PACTOLUS,"

Burnham, Master, shortly expected, will load
here for the above Port, and will have quick
despatch.

For Freight, apply to

PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 19th December, 1888.

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FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A. I. American Ship

"STATE OF MAINE,"

G. Small, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have a quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 19th December, 1888.

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client inducement to attract our enterprise. The following day, in company with Mr. Becker, I examined and prospected the August shaft on the 50 feet level, and I found gold in paying quantities in every pan I tried in the presence of Mr. Becker. The formation here is decomposed vein matter and runs through an unlimited space, as no foot wall or hanging wall has yet been discovered that I am aware of. After leaving the August shaft I accompanied Mr. Becker to a hill about a quarter of a mile distant and prospected. I am satisfied that by bringing water over the top of this hill and putting a bed-rock flume, and washing the hill with hydraulic pipes, that alluvial gold can be obtained in paying quantities at a very small outlay, and why this has not been done ere this is something beyond my comprehension. At present some Chinese are working at the hill on a small scale and it is privately reported to me that they have been doing so for the last fourteen years. It is hardly possible that these men would be sacrificing creature comforts and exist in this isolated conditions without any material advantage. Under what conditions from the Punjom Company they are working at this hill I am not in position to say. This hill formation is one great body of vein matter, and in my opinion will prove to be as rich, if not richer, than any portion of the Eastern Golden land I have prospected. Mr. Becker is driving tunnels in different directions, and I have seen small veins of quartz of free gold in various portions of same. I fortunately met here a practical miner, Mr. Phillips, with whom I visited different portions of the lode, which crop out to an unlimited extent.

There are three Batteries of four stamps each, with concentrators and pans, in operation at the mines, all of which are driven by steam power. I do not desire to make any unfavourable comments upon the machinery in use, but with improved American machinery under the present management I think better results would be obtained.

It was with regret I noticed the want or waste of capital. The machineries which I saw here are in a great measure far behind the times, and are perfectly useless. I have also carefully examined the methods adopted by past managers of the Company, and they all tend to show a want of knowledge in practical mining. I made several independent hurried visits to various portions of the mines, and know for a certainty that gold can be obtained here in abundance of practically worked. Mr. Becker has remedied past errors, and his dealings and the methods adopted by him under strained financial circumstances prove to me that as far as management on the workings are concerned the Punjom Mines have a good future.

Pending further operations I would suggest to the Punjom Company to sink their present workings to a depth of say about 250 feet, in order to get below all the breaks and slides to a permanent formation. In order to do so they must have good pumping machinery. You are doubtless already aware of California quartz mines are on an average down from 500 to 1,800 feet, and the lower levels have proved to be the richest. On these conclusions I think the Punjom Mines could have a similar proportionately well defined ledge with foot and hanging walls. Even at its present level the output at the Punjom Mines could be made payable if the ore was treated in the proper manner. The ore is charged with heavy particles of arsenic, which prevent amalgamation to a great extent, and through an apparent oversight the management at the Punjom concession have not been able to meet the difficulties by which they have lost a large quantity of gold. To overcome this obstacle I think it would be advisable to erect old fashioned lime kilns and to roast the ore therein before crushing, which leaves the quartz free from refractory metals. This can be accomplished at a very small expense, as wood and other materials required for the purpose are available on the spot.

I would also advise the Company with as little delay as possible to proceed with operations at the hill previously referred to. Water is required to be brought to the hill from a distance of about five miles, which I estimate will cost about \$5,000. The yield from the hill by hydraulic washing will, in my opinion, be, say, from 300 to 500 dollars per day. This output will enable the Company to sink the 50 feet level I mentioned above without any further demand upon the stockholders.

One needs no further proof of the richness of the soil when he sees the hill men residing in the vicinity of the Punjom concession bringing in daily to Chinese shop keepers, in Punjom village and elsewhere, gold dust which they obtain from the gravel in the streams that surround the Pahang country. Also I found at various points of my trip in this country old shafts or workings which are supposed to have been operated upon some 100 years ago. Even on these old deserted workings European skill could be profitably employed.

I have refrained from entering into details in this letter, and merely give my views of the country as a practical miner and not a scientific engineer. You will no doubt learn on see from your San Francisco exchanges a full and detailed report of my recent visit to the Malayan estates.

Yours faithfully,
J. M. NELSON.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1889.

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Sandakan, 27th January, 1889.
A detachment of eighty Sikhs has been sent to Luanan to reinforce the police at Padas Dikit in their operations against the Pangeran shebandars.

The magisterial enquiry into the murder of Mr. Tom, a young Dutchman employed on an estate on the Sugut River, has been brought to a close with the result that nine of the Chinese coolies employed on the estate have been committed for trial on the charge of murder.

Mr. Brock, the manager of the estate who is alleged to have threatened one of the murderers of Mr. Tom with, according to medical evidence did of duress, and the Sandakan Government hospital, has been committed for trial on a charge of "culpable homicide amounting to murder" and is, pending the trial, under arrest. The case has caused much stir, owing to the coroner's jury having brought two verdicts which were refused by Government, and owing to this being the first instance of the arrest of a European of a position such as was held by the present defendant in Sandakan.

An inquest was lately held on the body of another man and a verdict returned. A few days after it was found that the man whose body it was supposed to be was alive.

Tobacco planting operations are going on at a rapid rate; many of the Estates on the Labak, Segut, and Kinabatangan are well ahead; I have seen some very fine nurseries.

By the last trip of the steamer *Mamon* 180 Chinese coolies arrived from Hongkong for the East Borneo Planting Company Limited.

I hear that it is proposed to inaugurate a "Planters' Association" which is considered to be a dire necessity. There is at present much dissatisfaction in planting circles at the facilities for coolies running away after receiving advances, and the non-attendance by the Government that coolies are not "up to the mark."

In fact, the "line" is "come, when capital should have some voice like the Government of the country and something like a "Planters' Protectorate" started. I believe the Government are prepared to acknowledge that there are

duties which they have to perform both to employers and employed which they must acknowledge they cannot possibly do with their present small staff of police and untrained officials who often from sheer ignorance do more harm than good. As one swallow does not make a summer, so one trained man at the head of affairs does not make a Government and the sooner a few trained men are imported who are not "inhabited with the exuberance" of their red tape propensities, the better.

The China Horne Company Limited have been appointed agents at Sandakan of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. This is the first banking agency in the country.

The steamer *Ban Wat Hin* which was sunk on a mud bank in Daivel Bay last month after striking a rock is to be raised by the two Singapore Insurance Companies interested in her to the extent of \$25,000. A gang of men with pumps have arrived for this purpose but it is not considered that they will succeed. The *Ban Wat Hin* is a steamer of about 300 tons and about three years old.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

The Comptroller of the Imperial Household at Peking has sent an order to the "Wen-hwa" firm of jewellers inside the Tsung-wen gate to detach twenty skilled workmen to make a magnificent Court crown or tiara for the Imperial bride. These have been coming to their work in the precincts of the palace every day since 24th January. The tiara is three stories, the Siberian work being of gold, the cap being of Siberian winter sable fringed with vermillion and garnished with strings of pearls several hundreds in number, and topped with the feathers of the golden pheasant. It will, it is said, take ten days to complete.

The *Hu Pao* gives the text of a Petition to the Hongkong Government by the "Hwa-on Kong-sze" on behalf of the Chinese merchants interested in the trade with California, Australia, and the Hawaiian Islands, in which 100 houses are said to be engaged. This trade, it observes, more intimately concerns Hongkong than does the trade with Singapore, Saigon, and Manila, which more affects the Chinese ports of Swatow and Amoy. It says British and American vessels from Hongkong to San Francisco and Australia, at least 1,500,000 a year for freight, and one-third of that, or half a million dollars a year, for return freights, and many thousands for stamps to the Revenue Office at Hon. Kong. The action of the U.S. Government in prohibiting Chinese from landing in California, which appears likely to be copied by Australia, will be ruinous to the Chinese houses in this trade, and will thus react on the general trade of Hongkong, the Opium Trade, etc., and petitioners therefore humbly beg that the British Government may be moved to communicate with the Australian Government and also with the U.S. Government, and to use their authority in the one case, and their good offices in the other, with a view to the preservation of the rights and privileges to Chinese merchants provided for in the treaties of 1858 and 1880 between the Chinese and U.S. Governments.

Early this month a man at Ch'ao-chow Fu, a late town in Canton province, up the Han or "Swatow River," some 40 miles from Swatow, returned emigrant from Singapore, began to miss his pigs, fowls, etc., and at first suspected that some human agency was at work in the person of a poor neighbour, until the presence of blood, fur and feathers on the ground showed that a wild beast was the robber. So he dug a pit-fall and lay in wait.

One evening at twilight, sure enough, a large animal came prowling round and tumbled into the pit, and on going out to see, he found he had made a prisoner of a tiger. He and his friends after great trouble, got it into a cage, and were intending to send it to Singapore as a present to the British Governor; but the tiger in the cage displayed such terrible fury, roaring, clawing and biting, that, fearing it would burst out, they determined to weight the cage with stones, sink it in the river, down the tiger, and then take off its skin.

They sunk the tiger, cage and all, and the next day hauled it up, when to their amazement there was no dead tiger in the cage, but a live, alligator, and the tiger's empty skin lay in one corner. They took the alligator home in the cage and killed it, and sold the skin. Have not we all met some people, fierce and cruel in life, unreformed until the hour of death, and are they likely in a future state of existence to assume a better change than this Swatow tiger? The tale, though it may not be true, has thus its moral.

There is a wide-spread belief in the power of some animals to take other forms, as the fox can take the form of a young and beautiful girl, rats can change to bats, sparrows to tree-frogs, lites to pigeons. Fire-flies are transformed, according to popular belief, from rotten plants, and there are numberless other transformations believed in; but hitherto, although sharks have been known to change to tigers, there has been no instance recorded of the reverse process having taken place, and a tiger turning into a shark.

MACAO.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Macao, February 5th, 1889.
The Portuguese gunboat *Tepo* left for your port yesterday morning in order to convey His Excellency T. da Silva to this city, but she grounded somewhere in the outer harbour, and arrived in Hongkong too late to be of any use. H. E. and family arrived by the river steamer *Kiung* and landed at the Company's wharf amid salvoes of artillery. The new Governor will assume the reins of Government at 1 p.m. to-day at the Senate House situated in the Camoos Gardens.

Senhor Baeto, Jr., has been awarded the Knight Commandership of the Redemption of Liberia, whatever this may mean.

According to a new decree issued in Lisbon on December 20th last, the Boards of Treasury of all Portuguese colonial possessions have been abolished, and separate sub-departments have been organised, each entrusted with its own branch of Exchequer work.

An inquest was lately held on the body of another man and a verdict returned. A few days after it was found that the man whose body it was supposed to be was alive.

Tobacco planting operations are going on at a rapid rate; many of the Estates on the Labak, Segut, and Kinabatangan are well ahead; I have seen some very fine nurseries.

By the last trip of the steamer *Mamon* 180 Chinese coolies arrived from Hongkong for the East Borneo Planting Company Limited.

I hear that it is proposed to inaugurate a "Planters' Association" which is considered to be a dire necessity. There is at present much dissatisfaction in planting circles at the facilities for coolies running away after receiving advances, and the non-attendance by the Government that coolies are not "up to the mark."

In fact, the "line" is "come, when capital should have some voice like the Government of the country and something like a "Planters' Protectorate" started. I believe the Government are prepared to acknowledge that there are

To-day's Advertisements.

POLO CLUB MEETING.

THE following is the HANDICAP for the Ladies' Nominations Distance Handicap. Owners by Open, about 70 Yards.

Mr. Slingsby Bebell's "Belge" 10 to 5 Scratch.
Mr. T. Gray's "White Rose" 12 to 40 yards.
Captain Fletcher's "Scarcrow" 11 to 20 yards.
Mr. Slingsby Bebell's "Frigate" 10 to 30 yards.
Capt. Des Vaux's "Grey Friar" 11 to 30 yards.
Mr. Gove's "Dandy" 11 to 40 yards.
Mr. J. Armstrong's "Bouquet" 12 to 40 yards.
Mr. Woodcock's "Buddha" 11 to 70 yards.
Mr. Whitehead's "Reindeer" 14 to 70 yards.
Mr. J. Judd's "Moonlighter" 14 to 70 yards.
Mr. C. Dransfield's "Hustler" 14 to 70 yards.
Entrance to endow: Ladies and Members, 50c. Gentlemen, 10c.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1889.

To-day's Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE.
No. 525.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 5th February, at 8.30 for 9 O'CLOCK precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 5th February, 1889. [147]

NOTICE.

MR. LAWRENCE, of LAWRENCE and MAYO, OPTHALMIC OPTICIANS. On his return visit from China and Japan, will arrive in Hongkong on the 11th February and will remain at the Hongkong Hotel for 14 days only. Yokohama, 25th January, 1889. [174]

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION, No. 35.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY, the 11th day of February, 1889, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th January, 1889. [135]

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of February, 1889, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

No. of Registry	No.	Locality	Boundaries	Contents in Square ft.	Rent	Price
Inland Lot No. 1215	102	Rutter Street Tai-pingshan	N. S. & E. W.	7,280	48	3,690

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION, No. 37.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of February, 1889, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 26th January, 1889. [137]

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of February, 1889, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

No. of Registry	No.	Locality	Boundaries	Contents in Square ft.	Rent	Price
Inland Lot No. 1214	102	Sing Wong Street	N. S. & E. W.	5,180	48	3,690

Intimations.

HONGKONG POLO CLUB.
PRESIDENT: His Excellency Sir G. W. DES VŒUX, K.C.M.G.
VICE-PRESIDENTS: His Excellency Sir NOWELL SALMON, V.C., K.C.B.
His Excellency Lieutenant-General W. G. CAMERON, C.B.

COMMITTEE: T. H. WHITEHEAD, Esq., Major TRIPP, J. ARMSTRONG, Esq., Capt. CRADOCK, R.N., Captain DES VŒUX, A.D.C., Capt. FLAHERTY, R.A., Captain COLLINSON, 15th Regt., Hon. Secretary, A. & S. Highlanders.

PROGRAMME of Meeting to be held on the Polo Ground, Causeway Bay, (POSTPONED during the weather).

1.—One Hundred Yards Race. Open to all comers. 1st Prize \$5; 2nd \$3; 3rd \$1; 4th to start or no prize; 5th or 6th 3rd. Entrance free.

2.—"Polo Pony Scurry," \$10 added to a starting sweep of \$2. Once round the course, catch weights over 11st. 7lb.; to be ridden by members of the Polo Club. Entrance \$2.

3.—Wheelbarrow Race. Open to all comers. One man to wheel another, 1st prize \$3; 2nd \$2; 3rd \$1. Entrance free.

4.—Polo Ball Race. \$10 to hit a ball round a post and back through a goal; post to be put on the left. Entrance \$2.

5.—Ladies' Nomination to Accompany Entrance, to be handicapped by the Committee. Entrance \$2. Prize to nominator.

6.—Maze Race. \$10. Open to all comers; to ride in and out of a line of posts; any rider knocking down a post to be disqualified. Entrance \$2; 2nd Pony to save entrance.

CONDITIONS.

1.—Decision of the Committee to be final on all points.

2.—First event to start at 2.45.

3.—Events 2 and 4 open to Members of the Polo Club only and for *bona fide* polo ponies that have been regularly played.

4.—Three ponies to start for each event or no prize.

5.—No Colors required.

6.—Post entries allowed for Nos. 1 and 3.

7.—Objections to close before midnight February 4th at the Honorary Secretary, Wellington Barracks.

8.—Hired ponies allowed to run, if they have been regularly played at Polo, but such ponies to run for one owner only.

J. COLLINSON, Capt. Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1889. [154]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB MEETING, FOURTH DAY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 1889.

THE POLO CUP, Presented by the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB for *bona fide* polo ponies, the property of and to be ridden by members or honorary members of the Polo Club; distance half a mile; catch weights over 11st. 6lb. Entrance \$5; 75 per cent. of the stakes to the second and 25 per cent. to the third pony. Entries to close to the Clerk of the Course, Hongkong Jockey Club, on or before 5 P.M., on MONDAY, 11th February, 1889.

J. COLLINSON, Captain, Polo Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1889. [155]

NORTH CHINA Famine Relief Fund.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be happy to RECEIVE SUBSCRIPTIONS to the above fund and transmit same to the Shanghai Committee.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1889. [151]

KOWLOON HOTEL.

J. C. L. ROUGH, MANAGER. WINE AND SPIRITS of the best quality. ENGLISH & AMERICAN BILLIARD TABLES, BOWLING ALLEYS, TENNIS LAWN.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1889. [114]

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

13, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG. LIST of Subscribers to the TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

1.—"Hongkong Telegraph" Office.

2.—Manson, Dr. P. M.D.

3.—Hartigan, Dr. J. Wm.

4.—Manson, Dr. P. M.D., (Peak).

5.—Vernon, J. V. V.

6.—Candle, Dr. J.

7.—Poesnecker, L.

8.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

9.—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

10.—Chater and Vernon.

11.—Judd, Walter, (Woodlands).

12.—"Daily Press."

13.—Russell & Co.

14.—E. E. A. and China Telegraph Co., Ltd.

15.—Great Northern Telegraph Co.

16.—Central Police Station.

17.—Watson, A. S. & Co. Ltd.

18.—Douglas Lapsack & Co.

19.—Butterfield and Swire.

20.—P. & O. Steam Navigation Co.

21.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

22.—Cruickshank, Wm., Pedder's Street.

23.—"China Mail."

24.—Jordan, Dr. G. P.

25.—Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.

26.—Aberdeen Dock.

27.—Alice Memorial Hospital.

28.—Holiday, Wise & Co.

29.—McEwen, A. P.

30.—Peak Hotel.

31.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

32.—The Hongkong Hotel, Public Telephone.

33.—Victoria Dispensary.

34.—Cruickshank, Wm.

35.—Ah Yon & Co., 80, Praya Central.

36.—Linstead & Davis.

37.—Foster, F. T. P.

38.—The Borneo Co., Ltd.

39.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

40.—Dodgson, F.

41.—Jordan, Dr. G. P., Pedder's Street.

42.—Government House.

43.—Hughes & Ears.

44.—Bellios, E. R., Cairn Road.

45.—Do, Victoria Peak.

46.—Carlowitz & Co.

47.—The Imports and Exports Office.

48.—Morris & Ray.

49.—Judd, Walter.

50.—Webber, J. F.

51.—Judson, H.

52.—Victoria Hotel, Public Telephone.

53.—Sankey, Captain A. R. A.

54.—Boy Sing.

Subscription to Exchange \$50 per annum.

H. F. HAYLOR, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1888. [150]

Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "OANPA" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before NOON, on the 9th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 9th instant, at 4 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 9th inst. will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 A.M., TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1889. [167]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "BELGIC" The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

CHS. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1889. [1]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—159 per cent.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—120 per share, sellers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—80 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—125 per share, buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—120 per share, sellers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—125 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Insurance Company—165 per share, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—125, 150, per share, buyers.
 Mongkong Fire Insurance Company—365 per share, buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—382 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, 37 per cent, premium, sellers.
 Mongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—225 per share, ex. div., sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—178 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—170 per share, nominal.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—125 per cent, div., buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—366 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—197 per share, buyers.
 Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—85 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—101 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—80 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—125 per share, sellers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent, premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—21 per cent, premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent, premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent, premium.
 Mongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—97 per share, buyers.
 Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—5 per share, nominal.
 Funjong and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—11 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—90 per cent, premium, buyers.
 Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—100 per cent, premium, buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—250 per cent, premium, nominal.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—50 per share, sellers.
 The Sengai Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—45 per share, buyers.
 Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—45 per share, sellers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—100 per cent, premium, nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—50 per cent, div., buyers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—27 per cent, prem, buyers.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/01
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/01
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/01
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/01
 Credits at 4 months' sight 3/01
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/11
ON PARIS.—Bank Bills, on demand 3/72
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/00
 ON INDIA, T. T. 2/18
 On Demand 2/20
ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 7/11
 Private, 50 days' sight 7/21

EXPORT CARGOES.
 Per *Sarah S. Ridgway*, bark, for New York.
 1,150 packages Crackers, 2,536 rolls Matting, 35 cases Fans, 175 cases Essential Oil, 10 cases Paper, 316 packages Reeds, 50 cases Preserves, 8,802 packages Merchandise, 3,379 packages Tea, 320 cases Ginger, 54 packages Rattans, 300 cases Saigon Cassia, and 32 packages Personal Effects.
 Per *Glenn*, str., for London.—507 packages Tea (10,647 lbs. Scented Caper), 50 bales Waste Silk, 127 cases Preserves, 23 cases Bristles, 16 cases B. Fans, and 49 cases Sundries.

OPIMUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.
 NEW MALWA, per picul..... \$680
 (Allowance, Tails 4 to 34).
 OLD MALWA, per picul..... \$690
 (Allowance, Tails 16 to 32).
 NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest..... \$580
 NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest..... \$582
 NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest..... \$593
 NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest..... \$575
 NEW BENARES, (without choice) per chest..... \$577
 NEW BENARES, (bottom) per chest..... \$570
 NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul..... \$550
 OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul..... \$500
 OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul..... \$475

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.
 4th February, 1889.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Direction	Force	Wind	Weather
Wanchow	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Tientsin	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Nagasaki	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Shanghai	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Amoy	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Hongkong	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Batavia	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Manila	30.12	59.0	70	W	SW	W	b

5th February, 1889.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Direction	Force	Wind	Weather
Wanchow	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Tientsin	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Nagasaki	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Shanghai	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Amoy	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Hongkong	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Batavia	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b
Manila	30.13	60.0	70	W	SW	W	b

There is not much change in the height of the barometer and rain continues to fall for the night. Cloudy, cold and rather dry weather prevails.
 The thermometer is at 59° at 4 p.m. and 60° at 10 a.m. The wind is from the west, and the weather is rather dry.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Palmer & Co.'s Register.)
 To day.
 Barometer—9 a.m. 30.12
 Barometer—4 p.m. 30.12
 Thermometer—9 a.m. 59.0
 Thermometer—4 p.m. 60.0
 Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb) 57.0
 Thermometer—4 p.m. (Wet bulb) 58.0
 Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb) 55.0
 Thermometer—4 p.m. (Wet bulb) 56.0
 Thermometer—Maximum (over night) 60.0
 Thermometer—Minimum 55.0

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
 The P. M. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with the American mail, left San Francisco on the 15th ultimo, and is expected here on or about the 15th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
 The steamer *Patricia* left Vancouver for Japan and China on the 22nd ultimo.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The 'Shire' line steamer *Cardiganshire*, from London, &c., sailed from Singapore for this port on the 2nd instant, and is expected here on the 9th.
 The 'Glen' line steamer *Glenlyon*, from London, left Singapore on the 2nd instant, and is due here on the 9th.
 The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's steamer *Maria Teresa*, from Trieste, left Singapore on the 2nd instant, and is due here on the 9th.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer *Khiva* left Bombay on the 26th ultimo, and is expected here on or about the 10th instant.
 The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Manila*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 3rd instant, and is due here on the 10th.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.
 IPHIGENIA, German steamer, 1,069, S. Voltmer, 4th Feb.—Singapore 28th January, General.—Stimssen & Co.
 MERCURY, British schooner, 361, David Thomas, 4th Feb.—Freemantle 22nd Dec, Sandalwood.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 MEMNON, British steamer, 824, A. Dorff, 5th Feb.—Singapore 20th January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
 THIBET, British steamer, 1,671, P. W. Case, 5th Feb.—Yokohama 26th January, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 BENGAL, British steamer, 1,195, R. Farquhar, 5th Feb.—Kobe 29th Jan, General and Coals.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 DIOMED, British steamer, 1,470, Bigley, 5th Feb.—Japan 30th January, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
 THALES, British steamer, 820, Hunter, 5th Feb.—Taiwan 28th January, Amoy 29th, and Swatow 4th Feb, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Nansing, British steamer, for Manila.
Diomed, British steamer, for Singapore.
Vorwarts, German steamer, for Haiphong.

DEPARTURES.
 February 4, *Hanchow*, British steamer, for Whampoa.
 February 5, *Tajo*, Portuguese gunboat, for Macao.
 February 5, *Taiang*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.
 February 5, *Actis*, Danish steamer, for Holm, &c.
 February 5, *Amigo*, German str., for Samarang.
 February 5, *Diamante*, British str., for Manila.

PASSENGERS-ARRIVED.
 Per *Iphigenia*, str., from Singapore.—13 Chinese.
 Per *Memnon*, str., from Singapore.—Dr. Gloss and Mr. Damas.
 Per *Thibet*, str., from Yokohama for Hongkong.—2 Chinese.
 Per *Thales*, str., from Taiwan, &c.—Mr. Allison, and 28 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
 Per *Shannon*, str., for Shanghai.—Miss Allen and sister, Messrs. E. S. Smith, Crawford, & Anger, and 4 Chinese.
 Per *Taiang*, str., for Calcutta.—Sergeant Major C. E. Taylor.
 Per *Orus*, str., from Hongkong for Singapore.—Mr. Hector Grant, and 1 Chinese.
 For *Marselles*—Mr. A. Findlay Smith. From Shanghai for *Marselles*—Mr. Lefebvre. From Woonang for *Marselles*—Messrs. L. Brize, E. Marrot, and Delatasse. For *Marselles*—Messrs. E. Ferguson, Tseng Wing Ping, Zu King Seng, Dick, Schmidt, Muramatsu, Hayashi, Schlegel, Bernhart, Ishida, Ashikawa, Leroux, Appert, Nakadi, Sakay, Sugita Taro, Watanabe, and Murau.

REPORTS.
 The British steamship *Diomed* reports that she left Japan on the 30th ultimo. Had strong monsoon with high sea and gloomy, rainy weather all the way.
 The British steamship *Bengal* reports that she left Kobe on the 29th ultimo. Had strong northerly winds with rough sea to Turnabout; thence to port had moderate north-east winds and gloomy weather with rain.
 The British steamship *Thales* reports that she left Taiwan on the 28th ultimo, Amoy on the 29th, and Swatow on the 4th instant. From Taiwan to Amoy had strong north-east winds and heavy sea with cloudy and overcast weather. From Amoy to Swatow had strong north-north-east breeze and overcast sky with thick weather at intervals. From Swatow to port had moderate north-west winds and overcast sky with light rain. In Swatow, the steamships *Kwangyang*, *Tamsui*, *Wanchow*, *Tonan*, and *Huifong*.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Straits and London.—Per *Diomed*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 9.30 A.M.
 For Europe, &c., Australia, India, & Madras.—Per *Orus*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 11.00 A.M.
 For Yokohama, and San Francisco.—Per *City of New York*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 1.30 P.M.
 For Manila.—Per *Nansing*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 2.30 P.M.
 For Shanghai.—Per *Peking*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Takao.—Per *Haliphong*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 4.30 P.M.
 For Haiphong.—Per *Marie*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 5.00 P.M.
 For Swatow, Amoy, and Taiwan.—Per *Thales*, tomorrow, the 6th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.
 APENRADE, German steamer, 1,473, Hohlmann, 21st Jan.—Nagasaki 17th Jan, Coals.—Wielers & Co.
 BATAVIA, British steamer, 2,548, Hugh W. Auld, 23rd Jan.—Vancouver 25th Dec, Yokohama 16th January, and Kobe 18th, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

HONGKONG-STEAMERS.

Continued.
 BELGIC, British steamer, 4,211, W. H. Walker, 31st Jan.—San Francisco 31st Jan., and Yokohama 26th, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.
 BENLARIO, British steamer, 2,265, Freeman, 21st Jan.—Cardiff 4th Dec, and Singapore 14th Jan, Coals.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 BISAGNO, Italian steamer, 1,499, Tognasso, 30th January.—Bombay, and Singapore 22nd Jan, General.—Carlowitz & Co.
 CAMORTA, British steamer, 1,335, A. A. Fyfe, 31st Feb.—Singapore 26th Jan, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 CHIMA, German steamer, 1,093, P. Haye, 4th Feb.—Saigon 30th January, General.—Woo Lee.

CICERO, British steamer, 1,030, George, 1st Feb.—Bangkok 23rd January, Rice and Wood.—Chinese.
 CITY OF NEW YORK, American steamer, 3,029, R. R. Searle, 29th Jan.—San Francisco 29th Dec, and Yokohama 23rd Jan, Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.
 DECIMA, German steamer, 965, W. Breitung, 28th Jan.—Singapore 18th Jan, Sugar.—Stimssen & Co.
 DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, J. M. Marques, 1st Feb.—Manila 29th Jan, General.—Brand & Co.

DORIS, German steamer, 771, F. Raben, 1st Feb.—Quinhon 27th Jan, and Tournon 29th, Salt.—Wielers & Co.
 FALAZAH, British steamer, 1,658, W. B. Harding, 3rd Feb.—Marselles 6th Nov, and Saigon 28th January, Petroleum.—Hewitt & Co.
 FALKENBURG, German steamer, 989, H. Weber, 24th Jan.—Hoihow 23rd Jan, General.—Melchers & Co.
 FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 FUSHIKI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,219, Franck, 25th Jan.—Nagasaki 19th January, Coals.—M. B. Kaisha.

GWALION, British steamer, 1,602, J. W. Nantes, 1st Feb.—Bombay 13th Jan, and Singapore 25th, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 HAIPHONG, British steamer, 1,122, H. C. H. Harris, 31st Jan.—Kobe 25th January, General and Coal.—D. Lapraik & Co.
 HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, S. Ashton, 30th Jan.—Fochow 27th Jan, Amoy 28th, and Swatow 29th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
 JOHANN, German steamer, 428, H. Binge, 29th Jan.—Macao 29th Jan, General.—Wielers & Co.

KONG BENG, British steamer, 862, R. Jones, 30th Jan.—Bangkok 22nd Jan, Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 MAH, German steamer, 704, C. A. Hundewadt, 29th Jan.—Haiphong 27th Jan, Rice.—A. R. Marty.
 MELITA, German steamer, 339, H. Merck, 9th Jan.—Haiphong 5th Jan, Rice.—Wielers & Co.
 METAPEDIA, British steamer, 1,454, J. B. Purvis, 3rd Feb.—Nagasaki 29th January, Coals.—Takasima Colliery Co.

NANZING, British steamer, 808, R. Talbot, 4th Feb.—Manila 1st February, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 OXUS, French steamer, 2,100, Guirand, 4th Feb.—Shanghai 2nd Feb, Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.
 PAKSHAN, British steamer, 835, J. Young, 3rd Feb.—Singapore 25th January, General.—Chinese.
 PERINO, German steamer, 954, G. Heegermann, 29th Jan.—Whampoa 29th Jan, General.—Stimssen & Co.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 PROVINCIA, British steamer, 1,095, Mackenzie, 29th Jan.—Kudat 8th Jan, and Singapore 21st, Timber.—Captain.
 SEPTIMA, German steamer, 783, P. Hansen, 4th Feb.—Saigon 29th Jan, Rice.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.

TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,500, A. Varden, 13th Jan.—Wellington, N.Z., 24th Jan, and Surabaya 25th Dec, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
 TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,109, T. H. Clegg, 3rd Feb.—from Surabaya, Sugar.—Butterfield & Swire.
 TRITON, German steamer, 1,142, A. Bleicken, 4th Feb.—Saigon 29th Jan, Paddy.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

VICTORIA, British steamer, 1,830, Coundon, 1st Feb.—Nagasaki 27th January, Coals.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
 VORWARTS, German steamer, 612, T. Bruhn, 4th Feb.—Kobe 28th January, General and Coals.—Wielers & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.
 ADAM W. SPIES, American bark, 1,171, A. D. Field, 2nd Jan.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 3rd Dec, Coals.—Russell & Co.
 ANNA BERTHA, German bark, 493, H. Nielsen, 2nd Feb.—Kielung 31st January, Coal.—Russell & Co.
 AUGUSTA, German bark, 473, Jensen, 5th Dec.—London 1st Nov, Sausenwood.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

BENGALE, British bark, 544, Scott, 17th Jan.—Singapore 24th Sept, Timber.—Melchers & Co.
 COLOMA, American bark, 852, C. M. Wages, 24th Dec.—Portland (Oregon) and Nov, Lumber and Spars.—Captain.
 EMU, British bark, 778, W. Summers, 23rd Jan.—London 2nd October, General.—Melchers & Co.

ERUKONG, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.
 ESCORT, American bark, 616, Waterhouse, 30th Jan.—Honolulu 14th December, Ballast.—Captain.
 JOHN NICHOLSON, British steamer, 685, W. Quinn, 18th Dec.—Honolulu 16th Nov, Ballast.—Captain.

STATE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,467, Nickels, 18 Feb.—Shanghai 27th Jan, General.—Porter & Co.

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 Hongkong, 24th June, 1888. [63]

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Glenlyon	London	February 9th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Maria Teresa	Trieste	February 9th	Austro-Hung. Lloyd's Co.
Cardiganshire	London	February 9th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Khiva	Bombay	February 10th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Menelaus	Liverpool	February 10th	Butterfield & Swire.
City of Peking	San Francisco	February 15th	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
Parthia	Vancouver	February 20th	Adamson, Bell & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Peninsular	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 13th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	To-morrow	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow, 10 a.m.
Marselles, via Saigon, &c.	Deucalion	Messageries Maritimes	February 10th.
Havre, Hamburg, &c.	Merionethshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call.	Hesperia	Siemssen & Co.	February 7th.
Genoa, via Bombay, &c.	Braunschweig	Melchers & Co.	Feb. 17th, at 10 a.m.
Trieste, via Straits, &c.	Bisagno	Carlowitz & Co.	Feb. 9th, at noon.
New York	Maria Teresa	Austro-Hung. Lloyd's Co.	Feb. 16th, at noon.
San Francisco, via Ythama	Strathleven	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About Feb. 15th.
San Francisco, via Ythama	City of New York	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	To-morrow, at 1 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via A. & C.	Batavia	O. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 13th, at 1 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Tsinan	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Feb. 8th, at 4 p.m.
Straits and Bombay	Thibet	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 8th, at noon.
Nagasaki, Kobe, & Ythama	Gwalior	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 8th, at noon.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Cardiganshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	February 10th.
Takao	Haiphong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at 5 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Menelaus	Butterfield & Swire	February 12th.
Shanghai	Acchilles	Butterfield & Swire	February 12th.
Shanghai	Peking	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Nansing	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy, &c.	Thales	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Feb. 7th, daylight.

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A. HAHN,
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 Hongkong, 24th December, 1888. [37]

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 ALF. WOOLLEY.
 Hon. Sec.
 Hongkong, 28th January, 1889. [100]

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